

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20054**

In the Matter of:]	
]	
STATE OF INDIANA]	WT Docket No. 02-55
]	
and]	TAM-12005
]	
SPRINT CORPORATION]	

**JOINT REQUEST
FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME**

The State of Indiana (“Indiana”) and Sprint Corporation (“Sprint”), by and through their respective counsel, hereby submit this Joint Request for Extension of Time in response to the ORDER, released October 19, 2017, by Chief Administrative Law Judge Richard L. Sippel (the “ALJ”).¹ The Order announced the date for a Prehearing Conference in the above-referenced proceeding, to be held on November 6, 2017.

As discussed below, Indiana and Sprint respectfully request that the date for the Prehearing Conference be delayed until Monday, November 27, 2017. Further, Indiana and Sprint respectfully request that the date for submitting their respective Notices of Appearance in this proceeding be delayed until Monday, November 27, 2017. In support of these requests, the following is provided:

¹ *State of Indiana and Sprint Corporation*, Order, FCC 17M-36, rel. Oct. 19, 2017 (the “Order”).

1. The Hearing Designation Order, released October 17, 2017,² set forth thirteen (13) issues to be addressed in the hearing;
2. Several of the issues listed in the HDO are under active negotiation between the parties. Indiana and Sprint have been required to participate in weekly telephone conferences with a Transition Administration (“TA”) Mediator pursuant to the Memorandum Opinion and Order, released by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) on May 22, 2017, in this proceeding.³
3. In connection with these weekly mediation calls, Indiana recently advised Sprint that it had found the two SMARTNET Information Processor (“SIP”) terminals that it had not previously returned to Sprint.⁴ The terminals have been sent back to Sprint, and the parties agree that, upon receipt by Sprint, this issue has been resolved.
4. In connection with the other matters still pending, Indiana is considering making a settlement offer to Sprint. Indiana has advised the TA Mediator and Sprint that it will be meeting with the decision makers from the Office of the Governor of Indiana on November 8, 2017, to discuss the terms of a potential settlement offer.
5. In the event that Indiana advises the TA Mediator and Sprint that it has received authority to make a settlement offer, and the parties are able to reach agreement

² *State of Indiana and Sprint Corporation*, Hearing Designation Order, DA 17-1019, rel. Oct. 17, 2017 (the “HDO”).

³ *State of Indiana and Sprint Corporation*, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 4058, 4072 (2017).

⁴ *See HDO*, ¶ 18. The HDO incorrectly refers to these units as “Session Initiation Protocol” terminals.

on the terms of the settlement, the parties will need approximately two weeks to finalize the Settlement Agreement.


6. In light of Indiana's intention to meet with the Governor's Office on November 8, 2017, to discuss the potential resolution of this matter, both Sprint and Indiana believe that it is in the best interests of the parties and the Commission to preserve their limited resources and postpone the date of the Prehearing Conference, and the date to submit their formal Notices of Appearance, both currently scheduled for November 6, 2017, until November 27, 2017.

7. In the event that the parties cannot reach a settlement by November 27, 2017, the parties intend to move forward with submitting their Notices of Appearance and participating at the Prehearing Conference on November 27th, 2017, or another date specified by the ALJ.

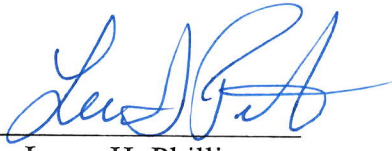
Therefore, the State of Indiana and Sprint Corporation respectfully request the postponement of the Prehearing Conference in this proceeding to November 27, 2017, in order to permit the parties an opportunity to resolve this matter without commencing a formal administrative hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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